

## TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE IS OFF FOR PRESENT

President Konenkamp Revokes Order to Commercial Union After Telephone Conversation With Secretary of Labor Wilson in Washington.

Chicago, July 8.—The strike of telegraphers employed by the Western Union Telegraph Co., set for 6 o'clock this morning, did not take place, the order for a strike having been revoked by S. J. Konenkamp, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union, after a long distance telephone conference with Secretary of Labor Wilson in Washington.

Secretary Wilson asked the head of the telegraphers' union not to allow interference with the transmission of messages "of vital consequence in the prosecution of the war," and Mr. Konenkamp announced that the strike had been indefinitely postponed.

"The strike scheduled for today will not take place for the present," said Mr. Konenkamp. "It is deferred and I hope it will never be called. We believe we shall obtain justice through the agency of the government and in this belief, not wishing to embarrass the government in the war, we are willing to wait a reasonable time for an adjustment."

The strike call was issued after the Western Union declined to accept decisions of the national war labor board of complaints of employees of the company that they had been discharged because of their affiliation with the union.

New York, July 8.—President Newcomb Carlton of the Western Union, gave out the following statement this morning:

"The cold facts are these: On Sunday afternoon strike meetings were called by the Commercial Telegraphers' Union in all the principal cities. In many cities there were so few present that the meetings were abandoned. Out of our 40,000 odd operating employees exactly 55 attended and joined the union for the purpose of striking. This is the only reason why the proposed strike was called off."

Washington, July 8.—Thirty-two union telegraph operators left their keys at the local Western Union offices today before orders were received cancelling the strike call.

H. C. Worthen, general superintendent of the Western Union, said that elsewhere in the district south of the Ohio river and east of the Mississippi, conditions were normal, except in New Orleans. Union operators in New Orleans were not permitted by the company to go to work.

Atlanta, Ga., July 8.—Members of the Commercial Telegraphers' union of America, who reported for work at the local offices of the Western Union Telegraph Co. this morning were told that the company had no further need for their services. Each operator as he reported was asked whether he was a member of the union, it was said; and all replying in the affirmative were turned away. More than 80 men who had been refused admittance to the Western Union offices were gathered at union headquarters for a special meeting of the local this morning and union officials said that according to their reports less than a dozen non-union operators were at work.

## SLASHES THROAT OF OFFICER WHO QUESTIONS HIM

Pittsfield Man Attacks With Razor Policeman Making Draft Inquiry.

Pittsfield, July 8.—Policeman Benjamin Horton narrowly escaped death early today when his throat was slashed by Samuel Protie, who was being questioned by the policeman regarding his registration. A double collar is all that saved the officer, the razor cutting through this collar and exposing the jugular vein. Although wounded, Horton chased Protie, fired several shots at him and finally placed him under arrest.

A charge of assault with attempt to kill has been placed against Protie. Officer Horton has been active recently in arresting men for carrying revolvers and in draft cases.

## APPROVES BILL TO STOP MAKING OF WINE AND BEER

Washington, July 8.—Legislation to prohibit the sale of distilled liquors, wine and beer after Jan. 1, 1919, and to prohibit the manufacture of wine and beer after Nov. 1 next was agreed on today by the senate agriculture committee.

Provision for the exportation of liquors already produced was considered by the committee and probably will be reported in some form before the senate acts on the amendment. The legislation is proposed as a substitute for the pending Norris amendment to the emergency agricultural appropriation bill, which would stop the sale of distilled liquor and wine on June 30, 1919, and prohibit the manufacture of beer three months after the bill became law.

## CHARLES MALLORY DIES

Greenwich, July 8.—Charles Mallory, former vice president of the Mallory Steamship Co., died of heart trouble at his home in Clifton, Byram shore, today. His age was 73 years. He retired from the company in 1908.

Mr. Mallory was born in Mystic, Conn. His wife and two brothers, Henry and Robert, survive. He was a member of many clubs.

## 1,000 PRISONERS TAKEN BY ALLIES IN ALBANIA

### LIEUT. FRAZIER REPORTED KILLED ON FRENCH LINE

Bridgeport is represented in the honor roll sent from the front in France Saturday by the name of Lieutenant Walter D. Frazier of the Marine Corps, reported killed in action, and by the name of John J. Miklovich, reported missing. Lieutenant Frazier formerly resided at 48 Pixley place in this city, was about 23 years of age, and married, his wife now residing in Pittsburgh, Pa. He was a former employee of the Remington shops, and while he boarded with George Nagy at the address given. He has many friends who will sympathize with his wife in her affliction.

### U. S. AVIATORS ON ITALIAN FRONT EAGER TO FIGHT

Italian Army Headquarters, Sunday, July 7.—(By The Associated Press)—The Italian commandant under whose direction the American fliers are working on the Italian front has only one fault to find with them. They never want to remain on the ground. Regardless of the weather, the fierceness of the barrage or the vigilant enemy chasers they want to be after the enemy in the air.

The exploits which brought five of the American airmen decorations cannot yet be published, but the value of their services may be judged from the fact that King Victor Emmanuel travelled to the section held by the Americans to make the presentation personally.

Recently Lieut. Alexander O. Craig of New York, while flying over Italian territory, was attacked by a chase plane. He shot the attacker dead and sent his plane to the ground in flames. On his way back over the Austrian lines after a deep raid into enemy territory the plane of Lieut. Harry L. Holtz of Busby, Idaho, was struck by a burst of shrapnel from anti-aircraft guns. Lieut. Holtz was reported in critical condition, directing the hazardous undertaking of his mechanic.

### ITALIAN CRACK FLIER IS KILLED

New York, July 8.—Serg. Giallo Gino of the Royal Italian Flying Corps, who was training American aviators, was killed today. His plane, dived to death before a crowd of several thousand persons at Hazelhurst Aviation Field, Hempstead, L. I., yesterday.

Gino had carried Major Gen. Kenly, Chief of the United States Department of Military Aeronautics, on the third flight of the first American built Caproni with Liberty motors. Showered with congratulations on the success of the demonstration, he jumped into a small machine and climbed skyward for a series of breath taking evolutions.

Then, according to the official explanation of the accident issued last night by Giuseppe Bevilacqua, Chief of the Italian Military Mission in the United States, Gino made a fatal mistake in judging his altitude.

The expert tilted his machine for a nose dive when he was less than 200 feet above the ground. Twenty yards from the ground he realized his danger, but it was too late to straighten out. The machine struck the turf a few yards from where Gen. Kenly stood and rebounded 20 feet in the air. It flew apart and dropped in pieces to the ground. Gino was pinned under the engines.

He died on the way to the base hospital. His skull was fractured and his body badly mangled. Gino was born in Milan 33 years ago. He was to have been made a Flight Lieutenant shortly. His body lay in state at Hempstead last night. Other aviators may undertake at his funeral the honors he performed when Stearns was buried and which he planned to repeat when Major John Purroy Michel was buried. He flew down Fifth avenue, scattering roses over the Resnais funeral cortege.

### ARMY AIRMEN'S MACHINE ON FIRE ABOVE HARTFORD

Hartford, July 8.—Lieut. F. H. Bentley of the Aviation Service, and his mechanic, Sergeant Harold Atkins, had a thrilling experience while flying over Hartford late yesterday when their airplane took fire while about 2,000 feet in the air.

They landed uninjured, having put out the fire on the way down, before the machine had been seriously damaged.

They were bound from Middletown, where they had spent the Fourth, for Mineola, L. I. Lieut. Bentley said that as they reached Hartford the oil leak broke, throwing oil over the machine and in his face. Fire broke out almost immediately. He shut off the engine and planned to earth. The fire was put out meantime with an extinguisher and they made an easy landing in Goodwin Park. A small section of one of the wings was burned. They expect to leave for Mineola today as soon as repairs are made.

Caranza sent his best wishes and those of the nation to President Wilson in an Independence Day message.

Italians and French Begin Operation Between Coast and Tomarico Valley.

### ADVANCE STILL IN FULL SWING

Australian Troops Push Ahead on Somme Front of 3,000 Yards.

Rome, July 8.—Italian and French troops in Albania on July 6 began an operation between the coast and the Tomarico valley, the Italian war office announced today. The operation still is in full and satisfactory development, the statement adds. More than 1,000 prisoners so far have been taken by the Entente allied forces.

London, July 8.—Australian troops last night advanced their line astride the Somme slightly on a front of 3,000 yards, says the official report from Field Marshal Haig today. Several prisoners were taken.

The German artillery displayed activity in the Somme region during the night. It was similarly active north of Albert, in the vicinity of Beaumont Hamel, and on the Flanders front in the neighborhood of Bethune.

With the American Army in France, July 8.—(By The Associated Press)—Although the entire front continues in a state of tension in expectation of a renewal of the German drive, the enemy effort has not yet developed. Comparative quiet prevailed in all the American sectors last night and this morning.

There has been in increase, however, in the aerial activity, chiefly in the patrolling and scouting branches.

Paris, July 8.—There was some activity last night by the artillery on the western side of the Marne salient, between the forest of Villers Cotterets and the river Marne, today's war office statement says. No infantry engagements took place.

Rome, July 8.—Italian troops yesterday advanced their front line in the region of Col La Pribila, the Italian war office announced today. In the Monte Grappa region the Italians gained further ground northward of Massic on Saturday. Eight enemy aeroplanes were destroyed yesterday in air battles.

### JAPAN TURNS TO DEFENSE PLANS FOR COUNTRY

London, July 8.—Measures for perfecting the national defense of Japan were decided on and a plan for co-operation between the army and navy was adopted by the council of field marshals and admirals held in Japan, says a dispatch to the Times from Tokyo.

The army, it is said, will comprise 21 corps, with two divisions to each corps and three regiments to the division. The changes will not necessarily be effective immediately.

The Times computes that the new measures will double the strength of the Japanese army.

### CLEMENCEAU BACK FROM THE FRONT

Paris, July 8.—Premier Clemenceau has returned to Paris after two busy days at the front, with confidence in the future unshaken. The premier went into the advanced trenches, talked to generals, other officers and soldiers, and found all ready to meet the enemy everywhere.

The premier visited the Australians who captured Hamel and addressed them in English.

Lengthy conferences were held with Gen. Foch and various French and American generals.

### AUSTRALIAN DASH MOVES LINE AHEAD

With the British Army in France, July 8.—(By The Associated Press)—In the course of the night Australian troops attacked and carried their line forward astride the Somme river to a depth of 600 yards on a front of 3,000 yards. The operation moved the defenses on the river ahead to correspond with the push made by the Australians and the Americans in their Fourth of July attack just south of the river.

### 60-DAY COURSE FOR ARMY MEN

Washington, July 8.—A 60-day intensive course to train college men as assistant instructors in the student army training corps will open July 18 in Plattsburg, N. Y., Fort Sheridan, Ill., and Presidio, Cal. The war department announced today that colleges that enroll the minimum of 100 able-bodied students for the study of training corps will be invited to select a number of men for the courses.

Regular army officers will have charge and members of faculties as well as students are eligible.

Twenty Norwegian vessels totalling 26,523 tons were sunk during the month of June.

Declaration of war against the Allies by Finland, is expected in Stockholm.

### SPANISH PRESS RESTLESS OVER NATION'S STAND

German Espionage System In Vogue Has Been Openly Exposed There.

Barcelona, Spain, July 8.—Signs are not wanting in a certain section of the Spanish press of uneasiness as to what the verdict of history may be on Spain's attitude during the war. The indications are that events slowly are bringing home to the average Spaniard a sense of doubt as to whether his country's interests would not have been better served by a neutrality frankly friendly to the Allies.

The machinations of the German espionage system have in several instances been glaringly exposed. One of the Madrid daily newspapers, although it has several times been suppressed by the military censorship, has succeeded in bringing to light activities by the German embassy in connection with the labor troubles in Spain last year, while within the last few weeks one of the chiefs of the Barcelona police was accused of being in league with the German consulate spy bureau for the purpose of assisting submarines along the coast.

The case is in the hands of the judicial authorities. The splendid achievement of the United States in sending an army of a million men across the Atlantic in so short a time and the mettle which that army already has shown have not been lost on the people here, who at first were inclined to belittle the American effort.

### WOMAN LEARNS IDENTITY AFTER 32-YEAR PERIOD

Mrs. Hayward, of Long Hill, Was Kidnapped Outside State.

Trenton, N. J., July 8.—Thirty-two years after being kidnapped while playing near her parents' home in Mount Kisco, N. Y., Mrs. Ida Dingle Hayward of Long Hill, Conn., learned of her identity and today communicated with her brother, Lieut. George Dingle, U. S. A., stationed at Tullytown, Pa., near Trenton.

Mrs. Hayward, wife of A. A. Hayward, was Ida May Dingle. When two years old she was stolen and subsequently was adopted by a family named Hebbard. It was not until the death of her foster parents that she learned who she was. She traced many Dingle families in various parts of the country and located her brother through the war department.

Lieut. Dingle said today that he planned to have the bodies of the foster parents exhumed in order to examine legal documents which were buried with them and which he thought might disclose circumstances regarding the kidnapping.

Friends are congratulating Mrs. A. A. Hayward today on the discovery that she has made. She is well known here, being the wife of A. A. Hayward of the firm of Hayward Brothers, on South avenue. They reside in Long Hill.

### OPPOSITION TO GOVERNMENT WINS IN PANAMA

Panama, July 8.—The government forces were defeated yesterday in the elections to the national assembly, which chooses a president. American soldiers acted as watchers at the polls, and the election was quiet. The only untoward incident reported was that of "two big steamers" a day is destroyed was branded as a gross exaggeration. Taking 3,000 tons as

The opposition apparently will control the assembly by a fair majority. When the assembly meets it will elect a president to fill the unexpired two years of the term of the late President Valdez. Other important questions also will come before it, including a constitutional amendment permitting one not born in Panama to become president. This measure is believed to be in favor of E. A. Morales, who was born in Columbia, and who was former minister to the United States.

### TRIAL OF DOWLING OPENS IN LONDON

London, July 8.—The trial by court martial of Corporal Joseph Dowling who landed on the Irish coast in a German collapsible boat two months ago and who since has been a prisoner in the Tower of London, opened here today.

Corporal Dowling pleaded not guilty to the formal charges, which are under three heads: First, that while he was a prisoner of war in Germany he joined a hostile force; second, that he tried to induce others to join; third, that he participated in an attempt to land a hostile force in Ireland.

Recommendations of the Railway Wage Board on the question of increased pay and working conditions of road shovmen have been forwarded to Director McAdoo.

## GROUND RECOVERED IN THIS TERRITORY IS OF CONSIDERABLE EXTENT

Progress Made Has Resulted In Improvement in Position of British Along Front of Two Miles on Both Sides of River—French Are Engaged In Artillery Duel With Germans on West Side of Salient on Marne—Other Big Gun Action Reported Southward.

(By The Associated Press) Again the Australians have made a successful forward plunge in the Somme sector northeast of Amiens, where with some American help they carried out their brilliant operation of last week.

The latest drive by the rangy men from the antipodes launched last night, resulted in what is described by the British official statement as a slight advance.

The aggregate of the ground gained recently in this area has been considerable however, and the new progress made apparently has effected a considerable improvement in the British position along a front of well toward two miles on both sides of the river Somme.

While the British thus are fortifying themselves against the expected renewal of the German offensive in one of the sectors where it is regarded as quite likely to be launched, the French are finding themselves somewhat actively engaged in an artillery duel on the westerly side of the Marne salient.

With the help of the Americans, northwest of Chateau Thierry, the Allied line as a whole on this front already has been straightened and improved in anticipation of another enemy offensive.

The French are replying spiritedly to the bombardment which is marked in the sector of Villers Cotterets forest.

Other artillery actions are reported southward along the front to the Marne, but these seem not to have affected the American sector notably, as the news dispatches from the American front report a comparatively quiet night and similar easy conditions this morning.

There is tension all along the front, however, in expectation of the Germans breaking loose at any moment with their new drive, and the air scouts on the American side are increasingly busy in efforts to spot important enemy movements.

## HUN U-BOAT REPORTS BRANDED FALSEHOODS

Washington Naval Officials Consider Far-Fetched Statements of Sinkings Placed Before Reichstag By German Head of Marine.

Washington, July 8.—Optimistic statements regarding submarine accomplishments made by Admiral Von Capelle, German minister of marine, before the Reichstag on Saturday were described today by naval officials here as typical of the misinformation that is given to the German people.

Secretary Daniels, after reading the cable extracts from Admiral Von Capelle's speech, remarked that he preferred to take Admiral Sims' view of the situation.

"Admiral Sims always is sure of his facts before speaking," Mr. Daniels said. "You have noticed that he makes very few statements." Von Capelle's statement that an average of "two big steamers" a day is destroyed was branded as a gross exaggeration. Taking 3,000 tons as

## CONGRESS AT WORK ON WARTIME PROHIBITION

With Hopes of Extended Vacation Gone House and Senate Are to Discuss This, and Water Power Legislation.

Washington, July 8.—Nationwide prohibition as a war emergency measure and water power legislation urged by the administration were before congress when it resumed work today with all hopes of an extended summer vacation abandoned.

## BOLSHEVIKI AND REVOLUTIONARIES FIGHT IN MOSCOW

Battling in Streets Is of Severe Character London Report Says.

London, July 8.—A serious counter revolution has broken out in Moscow, according to a semi-official Wolff bureau telegram dated Sunday from Moscow and transmitted to London by the Exchange Telegraph Co. correspondent in Copenhagen.

Fighting of great severity is taking place in the streets between the Bolsheviks and Social Revolutionaries. A message received in London today from the Russian wireless service dated Sunday evening at Moscow says that a counter revolution was started in the Russian capital, but that it has been suppressed.

Washington, July 8.—Fighting took place in Moscow between Bolshevik forces and revolutionary Socialists following the assassination of Count von Mirbach, the German ambassador, according to an official dispatch today from Switzerland.

President Wilson signed the three billion dollar war appropriation bill for Government expenses.

## REPORTS CZECHS BEATEN IN SERBIA

Amsterdam, July 8.—The position of the Czech-Slovak forces operating in Serbia has become more serious for them, says a Vienna dispatch to the Berlin Tageblatt. They already have suffered several defeats, the message declares.

Austro-Hungarian prisoners of war in Siberia are taking a prominent part in the fighting against the Czech-Slovaks, the Tageblatt adds.

General Louis Botha, Premier of the Union of South Africa, announced that serious unrest exists there.